



RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
GROUP 1756
PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: BLACK MATRIX AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Please consider the remarks below in response to the final Office Action mailed August 30, 2005.

Claims 1-14 are all the claims pending in the application.

Applicants note with appreciation the Examiner's indication of allowed subject matter. As stated at Section No. 4 (page 3) of the final Office Action, Claims 4-14 are allowed.

The final Office Action contains a single rejection. Specifically, Claims 1-3 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,631,753 ("US '753").

Applicants respectfully traverse.

To establish a *prima facie* case of obviousness, the prior art reference(s) must, *inter alia*, teach or suggest each and every element of the claim(s). MPEP § 2143 and In re Vaeck, 20 USPQ2d 1438 (Fed. Cir. 1991).

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